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## **REMARKS**

This is in response to the Office Action dated April 4, 2005. Claims 14-15 have been canceled.

Applicant notes with appreciation the Examiner's indication that claims 17-18 contain allowable subject matter. Allowable claim 17 has been added to claim 1, and allowable claim 18 has been rewritten in independent form. Thus, all claims are in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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